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Box PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Ref: 381KA/50959

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: VEHICLE CONTROL APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- Specification, including 19 claims (pages 1-31, plus title page).
- 2. 10 Sheet(s) of X Formal Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-10
- X Declaration and Power of Attorney (Executed 4 pages)
- 4. X Application Data Sheet.
- Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority
 Document 2001-217515 filed in Japan on 18 July 2001, the priority of which
 is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
- 7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total Filing Fee							\$1,412.00

Checks in the amount of \$ 1.412.00 for \underline{X} filing fee and \$ 40.00 for \underline{X} assignment recording fee are enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381AS/50959). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted.

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